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RESPONSE

In response to the action mailed August 20, 2002, please amend the application as follows:

In the specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 26 with the following rewritten paragraph:

B1 --According to the invention, the object is achieved by a children's rocking toy, in particular in the form of a stylized horse, having a one-piece basic body made of flexible synthetic foam material, a simply curved rocking surface forming the base of the rocking toy and a seat region molded into it. Expedient further refinements of the rocking toy include one of more the following. The basic body widens in its cross section towards the base. The seat region is molded into the basic body to an extent sufficient to provide a backrest region. The basic body has, at its two longitudinal end regions, two curvatures in the form of a horse's head and a horse's rear part, respectively, with the vertical height of both curvatures being greater than the vertical height of the seat region, so that they form an additional support for a child sitting in the seat region. The material forming the basic body is of a Shore hardness sufficient for the basic body, on the one hand, to have sufficient stability when rocking and, on the other hand, can be deformed in a sufficiently flexible manner so that it yields when a child is resting on one of its

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